

JUSTICE JOHN AND THE FAKIRS

Negroes Hold up a Well-Known Henrico Farmer.

THEIR GUN WAS DEFECTIVE.

They Were Neatly Captured and Identified and Turned Over to the Henrico Officers—A Marshal of the Parade Assaulted.

The human hyenas that prey upon their fellow-beings wherever they can find a crowd big enough to make cheating and stealing easy have made the acquaintance of Justice John in numbers this week.

Their explanations were all listened to politely, and the hospitality of the city extended to them for a few days in the bluestone manner.

To one he would express solicitude for his health and prescribe a rest; to another he would declare that the city desired his company, at least, till Saturday, and to all he promised good care and good fare.

Some look his pleniantry with good humor and others more grimly, but they will, no doubt, be less eager to visit Richmond at the next launching.

THE CARNIVAL VISITORS.

Justice John entertained the overflow of visitors to the carnival and tournament in the Police Court yesterday in his best style.

The Big White Chamber was packed with strange faces and the Great Dispenser was as full of fun as a spring coil.

The cases were few and mostly of disturbances incident to the gathering of a big crowd. The small number of arrests attested the excellent order of the city during the mummum parade.

The quiet behavior of the audience did not impress with the great dispenser more than a full measure of admiration and trim to facin a turbulent gathering.

The court was as orderly as a bar Association banquet, and the Prince of Law givers had to make all the racket with the accompaniment of opposition, a tone which sets on Justice John like a trotting horse; the harder you pull him the faster he goes.

TABLES TURNED.

Rebecca Shire, restored, was charged by Jack Hicks with attempting to cut him with a razor.

The Great Dispenser was of an enquiring turn of mind and turned Jack Hicks inside out like a reversible collar. Rebecca was dismissed and Jack landed in the pen minus money to pay the costs.

Geo. E. Blankenship was charged with being drunk and disorderly and assaulting Charles Stein with a brick. Mr. Stein had an audience behind the ear where Blankenship struck him from behind with Stein's own handkerchief in the parlor set up on a horse.

Blankenship made no defense except his inoscillation, and expressed sorrow for his conduct. He was fined \$2 and sent to the pen in default.

Alexander Hooper, col., was charged with being a suspicious character. He entered Higher Shoe Store with another negro, and while Hooper engaged the clerk in conversation the other negro bolted with a pair of shoes.

Hooper admitted knowing the other negro, but said he had forgotten his name. He was given thirty days in which to re-call him.

A CHANCE SHOT.

James Jones, colored, was charged with felonious assault on Austin Quarles. The latter was coming down Rock Alley with a girl and somebody hit him side the head with a rock. Austin blotted, and waited not to ascertain the source of attack.

James Jones heard the police were looking for him and went to the station-house and gave himself up.

James swore he was playing with some other fellows and had no intention of hitting Quarles. His trial was in court with the finding of damages cloth on his head like a bather's cap.

No motive was shown for the assault, and the case was dismissed.

Nancy Rose owns a horse of a nocturnal preambulating disposition and he got up a trade parade at night on his own account; \$2 was the cost.

A FARMER HELD UP.

Henry Wilson and Spencer Cox, two young negroes in blue overalls, have started early on a life of crime. They held up Mr. J. F. Shaw, of Henrico county Monday evening and were captured by him by Officer Bradley yesterday.

Mr. Shaw was driving along the road near Grant's farm, beyond Rio Vista, about sundown when the negroes stepped into the road. One of them threw a stone at the window to draw his master's attention and made some demands which the noise of the wagon prevented Mr. Shaw from hearing and the other negro threw up a gun and pointed it at Mr. Shaw at short range.

Mr. Shaw cut his horses with the whip and tried to run the negro down but barred his way. He noted that the barrel of the gun fell downward from the stock when it was pointed at him and that the hammer snapped.

He continued to whip his horses and they broke by the roadside. At last the negroes took the gun at the side of the road snatched the gun, but Mr. Shaw, who kept his eye on the man, noted that the barrel fell again when the man aimed it the second time, and to this circumstance he thinks he owes his life.

FOLLOWED TO TOWN.

Mr. Shaw's son-in-law came on towards the city with a view of securing the man's arrest. He overtook two negroes with a gun. He saw them enter a bar-room and sell the gun.

He came to town Wednesday and pointed the two negroes out to Officer Bradley at the corner of Eighth and Cary streets and he arrested them.

A negro who lives in the city approached the Officer and informed him that he bought the gun and he went off and brought it to Bradley.

Mr. Shaw came to the city yesterday morning and inquired at the First Police

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GLAD TO WELCOME THE PRESIDENT

The Governor Reviews the Three-Days' Carnival Occasion.

BOSTON FARMERS' CONGRESS

Virginia Delegate Makes a Brief Report—Thanksgiving Proclamation Not Yet Ready—State Seal at Paris Exposition—Notes.

The three-days' Carnival occasion has seriously interrupted Governor Tyler's administration which he had been giving to the affairs of his office. He is extremely busy. Nevertheless the Executive does not regret the time he has devoted to matters contributing to the success of the occasion. He was especially pleased to welcome President McKinley and the members of the Washington party. He said to a Times writer last evening:

"President McKinley has been very nice in his attitude towards the South, and has given expression to the kindest sentiments when talking about matters pertaining to this section. In the matter of army appointments, his fairness is especially worthy of mention."

In his visit of the Capital to Richmond he was well calculated to reward to the benefit of the city and its people. He has made a substantial leg-iron upon our people. It was a great pity circumstances prevented his witnessing the Trades Parade, which I think was one of the best ever witnessed. The President could not have failed to be impressed, and thousands of visitors who failed to see him on launching day would have been delighted at the opportunity to greet him."

The Governor sought relaxation and recreation about noon yesterday after an unusually busy morning, and accepted the invitation of Captain Williams to make a run down the James River in his launch. The ladies of the mansion, with the exception of Miss Tyler, went down on the boat, which carried a party of fifteen or twenty young people. The Commissioners passed a short distance below Dutch Gap before starting back, and reached the wharf about 4 in the afternoon. The outing proved highly enjoyable, and the governor especially was invigorated and refreshed by the bracing river breeze.

REPORT ON FARMERS' CONGRESS.

Governor Tyler was in receipt yesterday of a brief report from Mr. Henry L. Moore, of Fayette County, who attended a meeting of the Eighth Congressional District at the National Farmers' Congress, which convened at Boston, Mass., early in October. He was the only delegate commissioned by Virginia who attended the Congress.

Mr. Alford found the proceedings very interesting and valuable. The deliberations were on broad grounds and matters of partisan politics were thoroughly excluded. Three or four hundred delegates were in attendance. Mr. Alford deplores that more representatives from the Southern and Western States were not present to share in shaping the utterances of the Congress, which will have their influence upon public opinion and national legislation.

Mr. Alford says: "Nothing radical was done and while some decisions, like that favoring protective for the merchant marine, would not have been favored by the South, the other actions of the others would have been heartily sustained, for example, the proposition to extend mail delivery, in favor of joint food legislation and the protest against Federal expenditures for the irrigation of the West."

The Governor also received yesterday a communication from the Association for the Improvement of the Western Waterways—the Ohio, Missouri and Mississippi Rivers. The Executive's affidavits are requested at the meeting of the HASKER & MARCUS MFG. CO., 248 and Venable streets.

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